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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY FROM NEW ZEALAND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TALBOYS

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM MINISTER TALBOYS TO SECRETARY KISSINGER:

IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO CONVEY TO YOU, AND THE GOVERN-MENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, WARMEST GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS FROM NEW ZEALAND ON THE OCCASION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE. THE LONGSTANDING FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN REAFFIRMED THROUGH THE RECENT VISITS OF YOUR VICE-PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE TO NEW ZEALAND AND EXCHANGES OF VISITS BY GROUPS OF OUR LEGISLATORS. I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE CLOSE BONDS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL GROW EVEN STRONGER IN OUR COMMON PURSUIT OF PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING.

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I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY ALSO TO EXPRESS TO YOU PERSONALLY

MY REGARDS AND BEST WISHES.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD BE

DELIVERED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER:

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

I DEEPLY APPRECIATED YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATU-LATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF OUR 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF IN-DEPENDENCE. THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM WHICH FORGED OUR NA-TION AND SET ITS HISTORICAL PATTERN CONTINUES TO GUIDE OUR COURSE TODAY. I HOPE THAT OUR TWO PEOPLES MAY LIKE-WISE CONTINUE IN THE CLOSE AND ABIDING FRIENDSHIP THAT HAS ALWAYS BOUND US TOGETHER. WARM REGARDS. HENRY A. KISSINGER

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO. $\,$ KISSINGER

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